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THE NEWS.

SATURDAY.

Five large carpet manufacturers of Philadelphia, representing 4,000 looms, made a protest yesterday before the ways and means committee against the increased duty on carpet wools in the McKinley bill.

The senate committee has at last seen fit to report the World's Fair bill, but with amendments, one of which implies a doubt as to the "substantial character" of the subscriptions to Chicago fund.

The house committee on agriculture has under consideration a bill to prohibit deals in options and futures on boards of trade.

Ferdinand Ward again feels the penalty of his crimes. His wife is dead and the prison rules forbid his attending the funeral of a wife who has been devoted to him and to whom he has been deeply attached.

President Harrison comes to the rescue of the victims of Silcott's defalcation by signing the bill making an appropriation to supply the deficiency due them.

SUNDAY.

The Board of Trade at Chicago was a veritable pandemonium yesterday in both the grain and provision pits, all cereals and hog products advancing rapidly and largely.

At the White House yesterday Mr. Joseph Francis was presented with a magnificent gold medal in recognition of his services in the construction and perfection of life-saving appliances.

TUESDAY.

Senator Farwell has prepared and will introduce in the senate a bill repealing the present law, which requires the treasury department to deposit its surplus fund with the sub-treasuries.

Samuel J. Randall died Sunday at 5 o'clock in morning. In the house yesterday his seat was draped in mourning, and Mr. O'Neil, of Pa., paid a touching tribute to his dead colleague.

The U. S. Supreme Court yesterday affirmed the judgment of the California Circuit Court exonerating Marshal Neagle for the shooting of Judge Terry, at Lathrop, Cal., last August, when Terry assaulted Justice Field.

The Iowa senate yesterday passed the house school-book bill. The plan outlined in the bill is the district purchase of text books, with optional county uniformity.

The threatened building and iron trades strike in New York has been arbitrated and the men are at work.

Five thousand dockmen at Liverpool, Eng., have again gone on strike. The carpenters strike in Chicago is still on.

WEDNESDAY.

The new German chancellor, Von Caprivi, opened the Prussian Diet yesterday with a pacific speech, in

which he declared the historical necessity of a united German resting on Prussia. He said he would co-operate with all people aiming to foster the monarchic feeling in Prussia and the national feeling throughout the Empire.

Practically all the union carpenters in Indianapolis, Ind., went on a strike yesterday morning, on a demand for the establishment of a working day of eight hours, with pay at 35 cents per hour.

The situation of the Chicago carpenters' strike is unchanged. The ruling of Judge Prendergast in the McNally case has had no effect, as the union declines to allow any man to go to work even at the wages demanded, until the demands of the union as a whole are conceded.

A strike of the railroad switch men in Pittsburg may occur to-day. The demands will be for higher wages, shorter hours and experienced men.

The cloakmakers of Siegel & Co., Chicago, 290 hands, struck yesterday for an increase of 25 per cent in wages.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION.

We are in receipt of a pamphlet of some thirty pages professing to give the Objections of the German Lutherans to the present Compulsory School Law of Illinois. It claims to proceed from "the German Lutheran committee," but who the committee are or where and by whom appointed, is not stated.

The broad principle of compulsory education and in the English language is fully yielded, the objections being confined entirely to minor details of the law, such as the requirement that if children are not sent to parochial instead of public schools, the former must be within the district where the parents reside, whereas there may be no such school in that district.

Obviously these are all minor matters that can be easily overcome by careful and judicious amendment of the law, and need not necessarily involve the danger to which at present it exposes our public schools, of being dragged into politics.

DOOM.

As no dispatches were received last night announcing the destruction of Chicago and Milwaukee, or San Francisco and Oakland, pursuant to the prophesy of the California "Doom Sealers," it is a reasonable conclusion that the Oakland seer, Mr. Erickson, is not only no prophet, but either an imposter or a lunatic.

The conversion of Ingalls from an opponent of the free coinage of silver to its advocate, and from an extreme protectionist to a tariff reformer, is as sudden as that of Senator Allison was, and proceeds no doubt from the same lofty impulse—the desire to secure his re-election to the United States Senate.

Rose, as was to be expected, on Sunday rushed to the defense of the gambler, Riordan, who committed the assault on a FREE TRADER reporter on Saturday night. The offense of the reporter as to Riordan, was in reporting the fact that Riordan had been indicted as a gambler; in refusing to permit Riordan's drunken interference with a conversation between the reporter and another man; in refusing to submit without a word to Riordan's insulting remarks; and also in refusing to encourage a fight with a man of Riordan's stripe and a gang of his associates.

dent that the day having passed and the reaction having come from the terrible nervous strain of the victims of the delusion, there cannot fail to be a large crop of cases of insanity.

THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The Chicago Fair Bill, as finally agreed upon by the senate committee, and as it will be reported favorably to the senate on Monday, and, it is believed, passed without further delay, is in a shape that must to Chicago be eminently satisfactory.

The United States secret service detectives, who had been working on the Jessie White case ever since the suicide of that unfortunate young woman at Joliet, have ended their labors, coming to the conclusion that Jessie was her own persecutor.

The following curious story is told in connection with the break last week in the Hudson river tunnel under construction at New York, and in reference to which the highest engineering skill of the city seemed to be completely non-plussed.

The new White Star Line screw steamer Majestic, which arrived at New York on Thursday, gained the glory of having made the fastest maiden voyage across the ocean on record, having made the run from Queenstown to the Hook in 6 days, 10 1/2 hours, beating the famous maiden voyage by the Tonic by 8 hours and 26 minutes.

Lieutenant John P. Finley, of the signal service, has compiled a statement of the number of tornadoes in this country for the last seventeen years. While in 1870 there were only nine, the number has increased annually, the year 1886 having been credited with 280.

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species of preys on the community, would be, if, as might frequently happen, they should prove to be Rose's friends. Rose is welcome to any prestige he may get by defending gamblers who revenge comments on their misdeeds in the FREE TRADER by assault, but the respectable people of Ottawa can draw their own inference as to the character and associates of the defender.

The death of Samuel J. Randall, which had so long been looked for, was known to be imminent all last week and occurred Sunday morning, is announced with full details in our telegraphic columns, and needs little further reference here.

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